

FOREIGN CLAIMS SETTLEMENT COMMISSION  
OF THE UNITED STATES  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20579

IN THE MATTER OF THE CLAIM OF

DANE WESTON FINNIGAN

Claim No. **CU-8783**

Decision No. **CU 6273**

**Under the International Claims Settlement  
Act of 1949, as amended**

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PROPOSED DECISION

Claimant, DANE WESTON FINNIGAN, who owned a stock interest in Compania Minera Lehigh, S.A., asserts a claim under Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, against the Government of Cuba because of the nationalization of said Company's properties.

In our decision entitled Nolan P. Benner et al., Trustees, (Claim No. CU-8773 which we incorporate herein by reference), we held that the properties owned by the Company were nationalized or otherwise taken by the Government of Cuba on November 23, 1959, and that this type of claim is compensable to an American national under the facts and conditions set forth therein. We need not again detail here the reasons or the method used in determining the value per share of \$110.76.

On the basis of evidence in the record in the instant case, the Commission finds that this claimant comes within the terms of the Benner decision; that she was an American national at the requisite times; that she has been the owner of 162 shares of stock in Compania Minera Lehigh, S.A. since before November 23, 1959 and that she suffered a loss in the amount of \$17,943.12 within the meaning of Title V of the Act. Further, the Commission finds that the amount of loss sustained shall be increased by interest thereon at the rate of 6% per annum.


from November 23, 1959 the date of loss, to the date on which provisions are made for the settlement thereof. (See Benner, supra.)

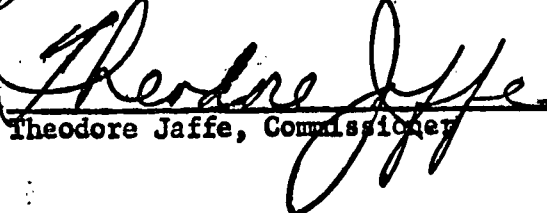
CERTIFICATION OF LOSS

The Commission certifies that DANE WESTON FINNIGAN suffered a loss, as a result of actions of the Government of Cuba, within the scope of Title V of the International Claims Settlement Act of 1949, as amended, in the amount of Seventeen-Thousand Nine Hundred Forty Three Dollars and Twelve Cents (\$17,943.12) with interest at 6% per annum from November 23, 1959 to the date of settlement.

Dated at Washington, D.C.,  
and entered as the Proposed  
Decision of the Commission

**JUL 14 1971**

  
Lytle S. Garlock, Chairman

  
Theodore Jaffe, Commissioner

NOTICE TO TREASURY: The above-referenced securities may not have been submitted to the Commission or if submitted, may have been returned; accordingly, no payment should be made until claimant establishes retention of the securities or the loss here certified.

The statute does not provide for the payment of claims against the Government of Cuba. Provision is only made for the determination by the Commission of the validity and amounts of such claims. Section 501 of the statute specifically precludes any authorization for appropriations for payment of these claims. The Commission is required to certify its findings to the Secretary of State for possible use in future negotiations with the Government of Cuba.

NOTICE: Pursuant to the Regulations of the Commission, if no objections are filed within 15 days after service or receipt of notice of this Proposed Decision, the decision will be entered as the Final Decision of the Commission upon the expiration of 30 days after such service or receipt of notice, unless the Commission otherwise orders. (FCSC Reg., 45 C.F.R. 31.5(e) and (g), as amended, (1970).)

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